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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 576, L.D. 771, “An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification”

Amend the bill in section 3 in §4171 by striking out all of subsection 2-A (page 1, lines 23 and 24 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

~~'2-A. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Environmental Protection.'~~

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 7 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 7. 32 MRSA §4173-A, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 832, §1, is amended to read:

1. Training. ~~The Department of Environmental Protection~~ department shall administer a ~~continuing an~~ educational program for people engaged in water pollution control activities. This program shall must provide ~~advanced training in the technical and legal aspects of water pollution control, and coordinate and distribute information about all water pollution control training programs available in the State~~ training in the supervision, management and operation of sewage collection and wastewater treatment systems.'

Amend the bill in section 18 in the first indented paragraph in the 3rd line (page 5, line 27 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "misdemeanor" and inserting the following: 'misdemeanor Class E crime'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment makes technical changes to the bill, including making a violation of the chapter and rules governing sewage treatment operators a Class E crime, instead of a misdemeanor to be consistent with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17-A, section 4, and clarifies the requirements for an educational program for people engaged in water pollution

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